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MARINE SAFETY INFORMATION BULLETIN

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SUBJECT: Current Long Island Sound Maritime Security

Due to the recent terrorist attacks, all marine facility and/or vessel owners, operators and agents within the Long Island Sound maritime community should increase and maintain robust security measures into the extended future.

The Captain of the Port has not received any credible terrorist threats specifically aimed at the Long Island Sound maritime community. However, information has been received that confirms recent news reports that suggested a large number of persons detained for questioning following the World Trade Center attack were found to have used fake ID's to obtain Commercial Drivers Licenses (CDL's). The CDL's that the detainees obtained would have allowed them to transport hazardous materials (HAZMAT) in tank trucks. Please take precautions to identify drivers and the contents of their vehicles prior to allowing delivery or pick-up of HAZMAT at your facility, or carrying HAZMAT in transport vehicles on your ferries. Irregularities or suspicious activity associated with the carriage of HAZMAT should be reported to local law enforcement authorities, the FBI, the state DOT, & the Coast Guard.

Anyone who receives a terrorist threat or witnesses suspicious activity should notify Captain of the Port Long Island Sound immediately at (203) 468-4444. For public affairs matters contact Lieutenant Dickerson at (203) 468-4501. For details on traffic restrictions in the Captain of the Port Long Island Sound zone contact Group Long Island Sound at (203) 468-4401.

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